

TOWN OF WALKER
MINUTES

September 14, 2009

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and Board of aldermen was held at the Walker Town Hall on September 14, 2009 at 7:00PM. Present were Mayor Bobby font, Aldermen Elton Burns, Scarlett Major, James Phillips, Jack Summerell and Richard Wales.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Anthony Pitre.

Mayor Bobby Font let the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Mr. James Phillips, seconded by Mr. Elton Burns, to adopt the August 10, 2009 minutes as presented.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Elton Burns made a motion to approve a resolution to increase the limit on Fixed Assets from \$1000.00 to \$2000.00. Mrs. Scarlett Major seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion to approve a supplemental resolution required by the Bond Commission regarding the refinancing of the Department of Environmental Quality Bonds. Mr. Richard Wales seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillip, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion to approve a supplemental resolution required by the Bond Commission regarding the refinancing of the Department of Health and Hospital Bond. Mr. Richard Wales seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Jack Summerell made a motion to enter into a public hearing for the purpose of adopting the 2009 millage rates for the Town of Walker. Mr. Elton Burns seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

After discussion, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion return to the regular agenda. Mr. Jack Summerell seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Following the public hearing Mr. James Phillips made a motion to adopt the 2009 Millage at 2.010 mills with a second by Mrs. Scarlett Major.

Yeas: Burns, Majors, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion to enter into a public hearing for the purpose of rolling the millage rates forward. Mr. Elton Burns seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

After discussion, Mr. Jack Summerell made a motion to return to the regular agenda. Mr. Elton Burns seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Following the public hearing, where it was determined that all laws required for rolling the millage forward had been met, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to roll the millage rates forward to 2.200 miles without further voter approval. Mrs. Scarlett Major seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips introduced an ordinance for a public hearing at the October 12, 2009 meeting pertaining to the employee work week.

Mr. Richard Wales introduced an ordinance for a public hearing at the October 12, 2009 meeting pertaining to the petition for Annexation by Co-Mar, LLC.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion to enter into a public hearing for the discussion of property exchange between the Town of Walker and Mr. Clay Young. Mr. Richard Wales seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Elton Burns made a motion to return to the regular agenda. Mr. Richard Wales seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Following the public hearing a motion was made by Mr. Richard Wales and seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to approve the exchange of 0.422 acres of property located on Ball Park Road, between the Town of Walker and Mr. Clay Young. Mr. Jack Summerell seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion to enter into a public hearing pertaining to the placement of Fire Hydrants. Mr. James Phillips seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to return to the regular agenda. Mr. Jack Summerell seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Following the public hearing Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion to approve the ordinance amending the Town of Walker, Code of Ordinances to add a prohibition against the placement of landscaping, fencing, trash, junk, garbage, etc., in a manner which interferes with a public fire hydrant; or the placement of a new fire hydrant in an area which results in it being inaccessible or not readily visible. Mr. James Phillips seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Elton Burns made a motion to enter into a public hearing pertaining to amending building regulations and fees. Mrs. Scarlett Majors seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to return to the regular agenda. Mr. James Phillips seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Following the public hearing Mr. Elton Burns made a motion to adopt the ordinance amending Chapter 5, Building and Building Regulations Article I, In General, Section 5-1, Deposit and Permit Bond for Electrical, Heating and Air Conditioning and Plumbing Contractors, 5-2 Miscellaneous Permit Fees, and 5-3 Miscellaneous Permit Terms of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Walker, Louisiana. Mr. Richard Wales seconded the motion.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. John Dardis with Consulting Services gave a slide show presentation regarding the review and summary of the Economic Development Plan.

Captain Marliam Lee presented the police report stating that 1124 citations were issued in the month of August.

Mr. Darren Blevins gave the public works department report.

Mayor Font commented on the following:

- The Aydell Family has given the Town of Walker the use of their family home for the Town's museum. Mayor Font expressed the Town's gratitude.
- The Town of Walker's website is now up and running and receiving numerous hits.
- The Town of Walker will hold their second Business Meet and Greet on November 5, 2009 at Revival Temple at 6:00 pm.
- Walker's annual Christmas Parade will be December 5, 2009. The Town will also have the lighting of the Christmas tree and choirs singing Christmas music to kick off the Christmas Season.
- Mayor Font expressed his appreciation to all Town of Walker employees for their dedication and hard work in making Walker a better place to live.

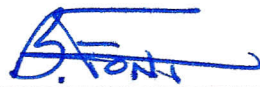
There being no further comments or business to discuss, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Jack Summerell.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

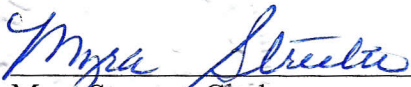
Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



MAYOR BOBBY FONT

ATTEST:



Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA